REMARKS AND RESPONSE

A. Status of the Claims

Claims 1, 14, 18-24, 40-48, 64 and 65 have been amended to bring them more closely into agreement with the specific written description in the specification. Additionally, new claims 66 and 67 have been added. Thus, claims 1-6, 8, 14-16, 18-24, 34-38, 40-48, 58-62, and 64-67 are currently pending in the case.

Support for the foregoing claim amendment can be found throughout the specification. For example, support for the indicated R¹ groups can be found in Figures 2A and 2B, while support for the structure of the R⁵ group can be found in Figure 1.

B. Rejection of Claims Under 35 U.S.C. §112, First Paragraph

Applicants traverse the current rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph and respectfully refer the Examiner to the arguments set forth in the November 28, 2005 response to Office Action.

C. Conclusion

This is submitted to be a complete response to the referenced Office Action. In conclusion, Applicant submits that, in light of the foregoing remarks, the present case is in condition for allowance and such favorable action is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (512) 536-3055 with any questions, comments or suggestions relating to the referenced patent application.

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